

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT			1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES 1 2
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. A0003	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 08/15/2001	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.	5. PROJECT NO. <i>(If applicable)</i>	
6. ISSUED BY	CODE DTS- 853	7. ADMINISTERED BY <i>(If other than Item 6)</i>		CODE DTS- 853
U. S. DOT/RSPA/Volpe Center 55 Broadway Kendall Square Cambridge, MA 02142		U. S. DOT/RSPA/Volpe Center 55 Broadway Kendall Square Cambridge, MA 02142		
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, country, State and ZIP Code)		(X)	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.	
		X	DTRS57- 01- R- 20023	
		9B. DATED <i>(SEE ITEM 11)</i> 07/24/2001		
		10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.		
		10B. DATED <i>(SEE ITEM 13)</i>		
CODE	FACILITY CODE			
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATIONS				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and the date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing items 8 and 15, and returning <u> 3 </u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment number. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.				
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA <i>(If required)</i>				
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.				
(X)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: <i>(Specify authority)</i> THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.			
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES <i>(such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.)</i> SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103 (b).			
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF :			
	D. OTHER <i>(Specify type of modification and authority)</i>			
E. IMPORTANT : Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.				
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION <i>(Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)</i>				

See continuation.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER <i>(Type or print)</i>		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER <i>(Type or print)</i>	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	16C. DATE SIGNED
<div></div> <div><i>(Signature of the person authorized to sign)</i></div>		<div>BY</div> <div><i>(Signature of the person authorized to sign)</i></div>	

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Attachment J.2, Past Performance Evaluation Form, Contractor Performance Report Instructions (page 90): Instructions in the first, second and fourth paragraphs pertain to Volpe Center contracts. If the Offeror asks a customer who has not developed its own past performance evaluation report form to use VNTSC Form 4200.7, the instructions in the first, second and fourth paragraphs should be disregarded.

The following answers/clarifications are provided for informational purposes only, and are in response to questions received.

Question 1: On page 7 of the solicitation, Section C.1 Background, a reference is made to 29 CFR 1960.20 . . . [the inquiry requested] assistance/information on how to obtain a copy of this reference.

Answer 1: We researched the National Archives and Records Administration web site for the Code of Federal Regulations using the following URL address: <http://www.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/cfrassemble.cgi>. Apparently Title 29, Part 1960 was revised on July 1, 2001 and is under development to add to this website. However, a printed copy of this CFR may be available at a Federal Depository library or a Federal bookstore. The Boston-area Federal bookstore is the Government Printing Office Book Store, 10 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02222-1077; Telephone (617) 720-4180.

Question 2: What is the estimated time for a cognizant auditing agency to perform an accounting system approval audit and for Volpe to accept the results before a task order can be issued? Can a task order be issued for T&M or FFP while waiting for the audit approval to be finalized?

Answer 2: Our recent requests for accounting system reviews by the Defense Contract Audit Agency have taken 30 to 45 days. As stated in the solicitation, task orders may be issued on a Cost Plus Fixed Fee – Term or Completion type, or on a Firm Fixed Price basis. The type of task order awarded will depend on the Government's needs.

Question 3: Reference is made to past performance evaluation reports, Attachment J.2, VNTSC Form 4200.7. Should these evaluation reports be collected and submitted by the Offeror as part of the past performance submission or submitted directly to the ACO? If submitted directly to the ACO, when will the Offeror have the opportunity to review the evaluation report and respond to any potential negative past performance information?

Answer 3: These evaluation reports should not be submitted directly to the ACO. The Offeror should include these evaluation reports (or the customers' own past performance evaluation report forms, if the contracting activities have developed their own) in the proposal. Please refer to the last paragraph on page 59 and the first paragraph on page 60 in the solicitation. The Offeror may be given the opportunity to clarify adverse past performance information to which the offeror has not previously had an opportunity to respond. Such an exchange would be considered a clarification in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation 15.306(a)(2).

Please note that the cut-off date for written inquiries has passed. Unless the Contracting Officer determines that answering additional inquiries is in the best interest of the Government, we will not be issuing any additional amendments in response to questions received.

The due date for receipt of proposals is unchanged. All terms and conditions of the solicitation remain unchanged and in full force and effect.